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1. Colonel 'Abd-al-Muttalib, Iraqi Military Attaché in Damascus, reported the following to Huzahin Pachachi, Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister:
  - a. Lieutenant Colonel Adib Shishakli's faction in the Syrian Army is weak and unpopular.
  - b. The Syrians believe that the coup of 19 December 1949 increases the threat from Israel.
  - c. "I gave As'ad Talas five hundred Iraqi dinars before he left Damascus."
2. In a report to Huzahin Pachachi, Ibrahim Akif Alusi, Iraqi Minister in Damascus, stated, "[I] am doing everything possible to help [Sami] Mirmawi's supporters. Please instruct whether [I] should continue this. Major Issam Maraywid, responsible for the Za'im execution, was about to shoot Colonel Yusuf (fnu), an envoy of King Faruq, but I stopped him."

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